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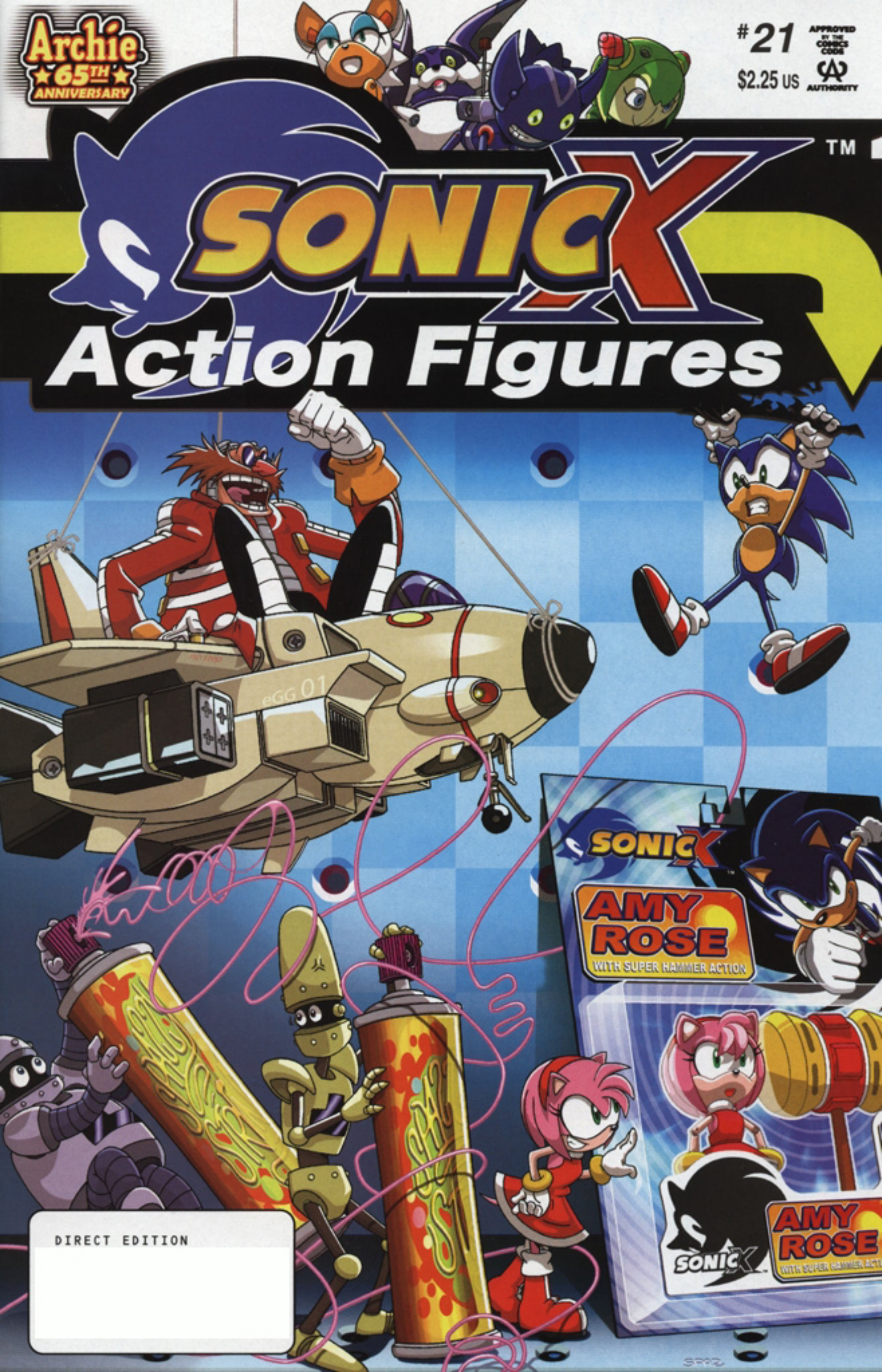

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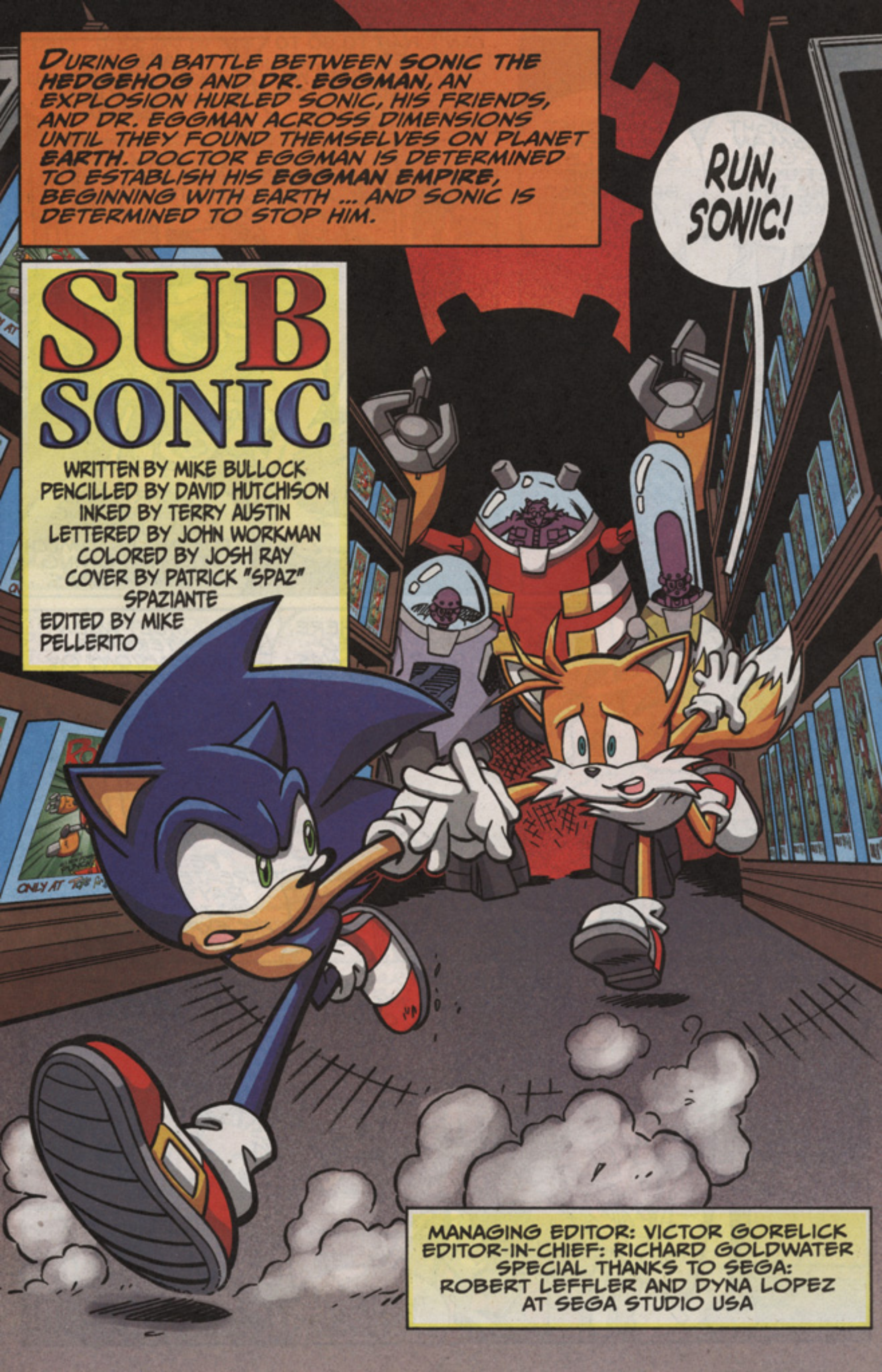
DURING A BATTLE BETWEEN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG AND DR. EGGMAN, AN EXPLOSION HURLED SONIC, HIS FRIENDS, AND DR. EGGMAN ACROSS DIMENSIONS UNTIL THEY FOUND THEMSELVES ON PLANET EARTH. DOCTOR EGGMAN IS DETERMINED TO ESTABLISH HIS EGGMAN EMPIRE, BEGINNING WITH EARTH ... AND SONIC IS DETERMINED TO STOP HIM.
RUN, SONIC!
SUB SONIC
WRITTEN BY MIKE BULLOCK
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INKED BY TERRY AUSTIN
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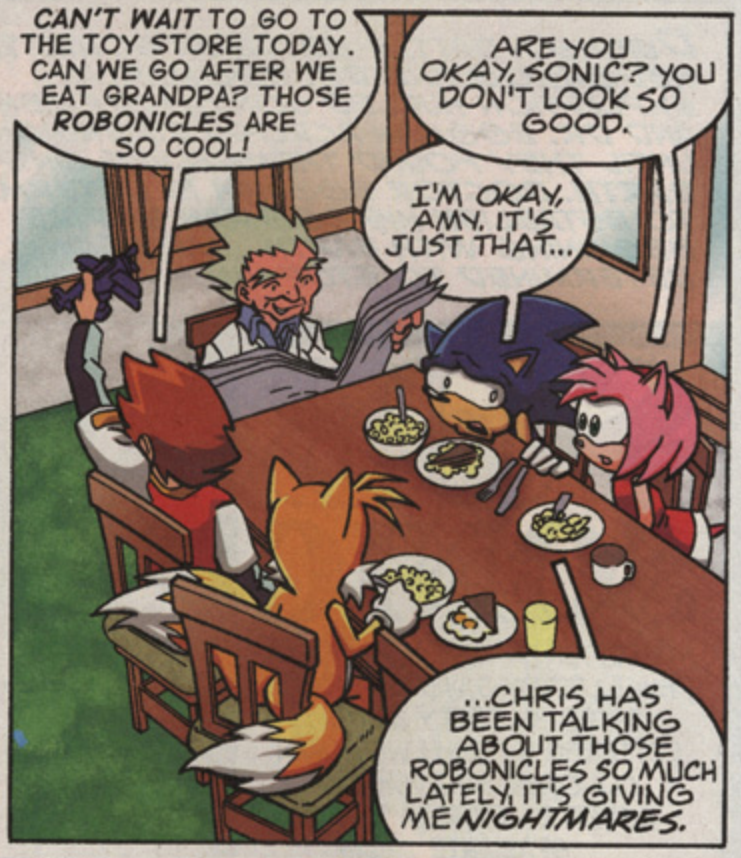
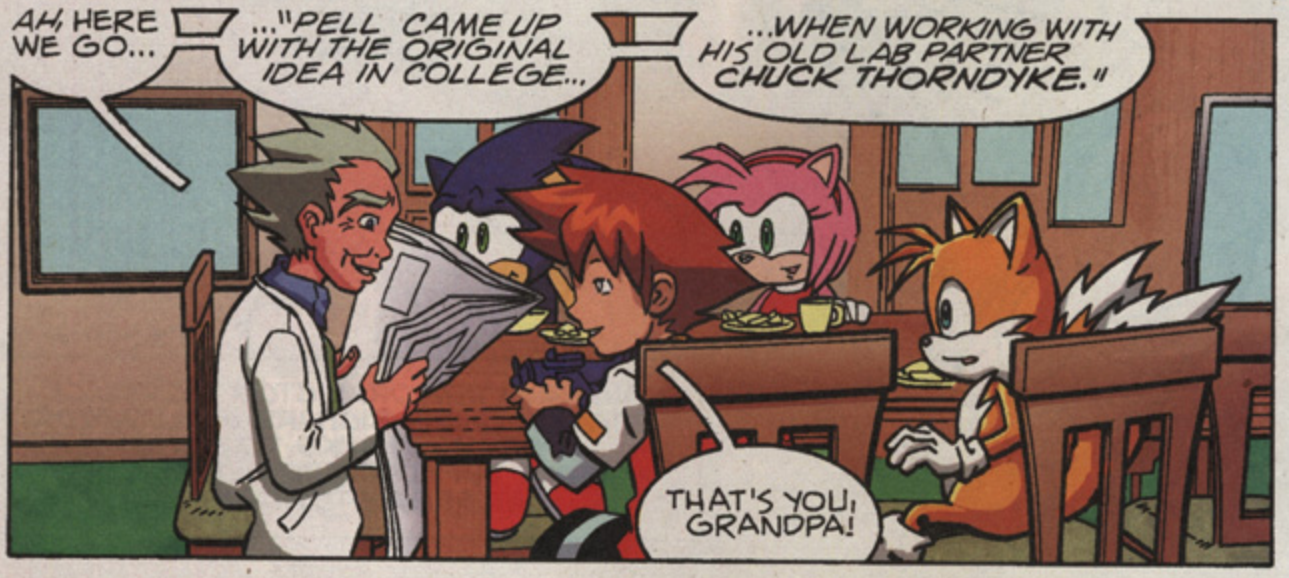
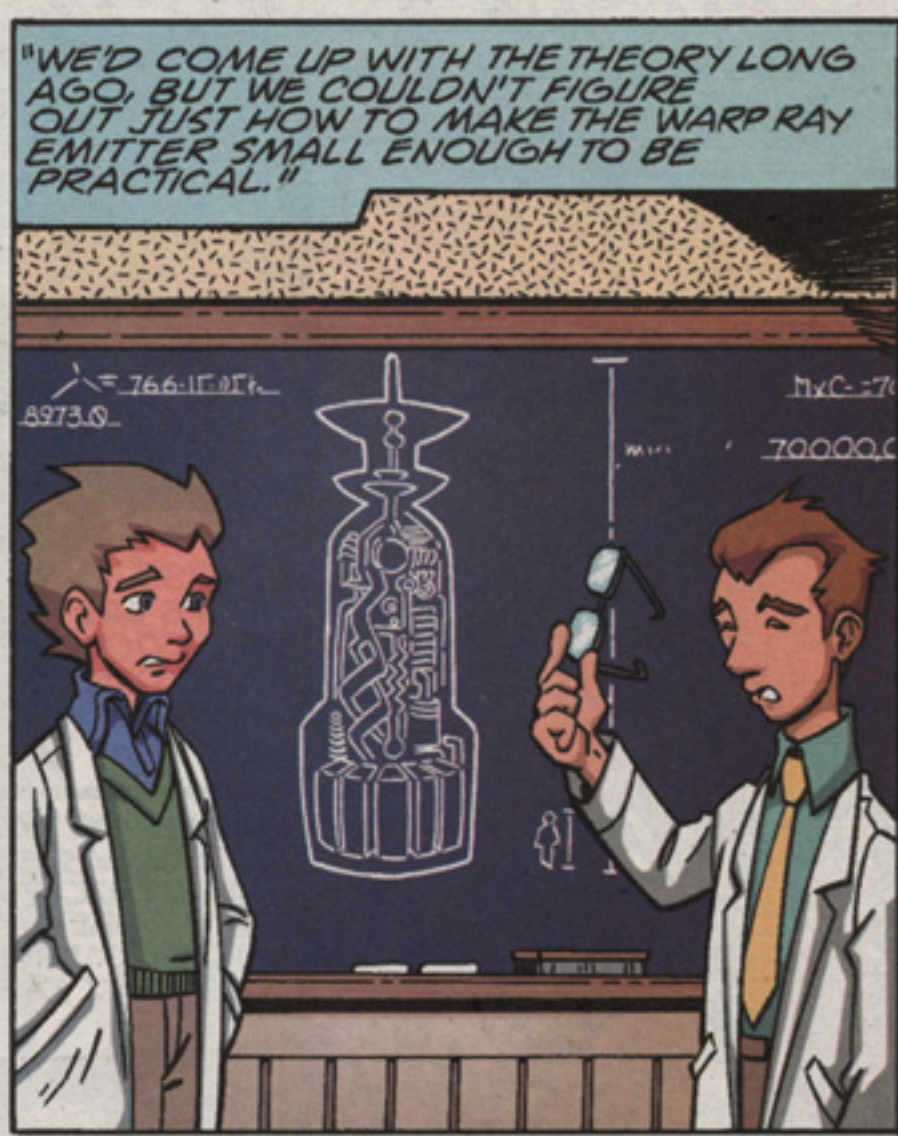
SONIC, WAKE UP. YOU WERE HAVING A BAD DREAM.
I THOUGHT EGGMAN WAS GONNA GET US FOR SURE THIS TIME, TAILS!
IT WAS JUST A DREAM, SONIC. LET'S GO HAVE BREAKFAST, AND YOU'LL FORGET ALL ABOUT IT.

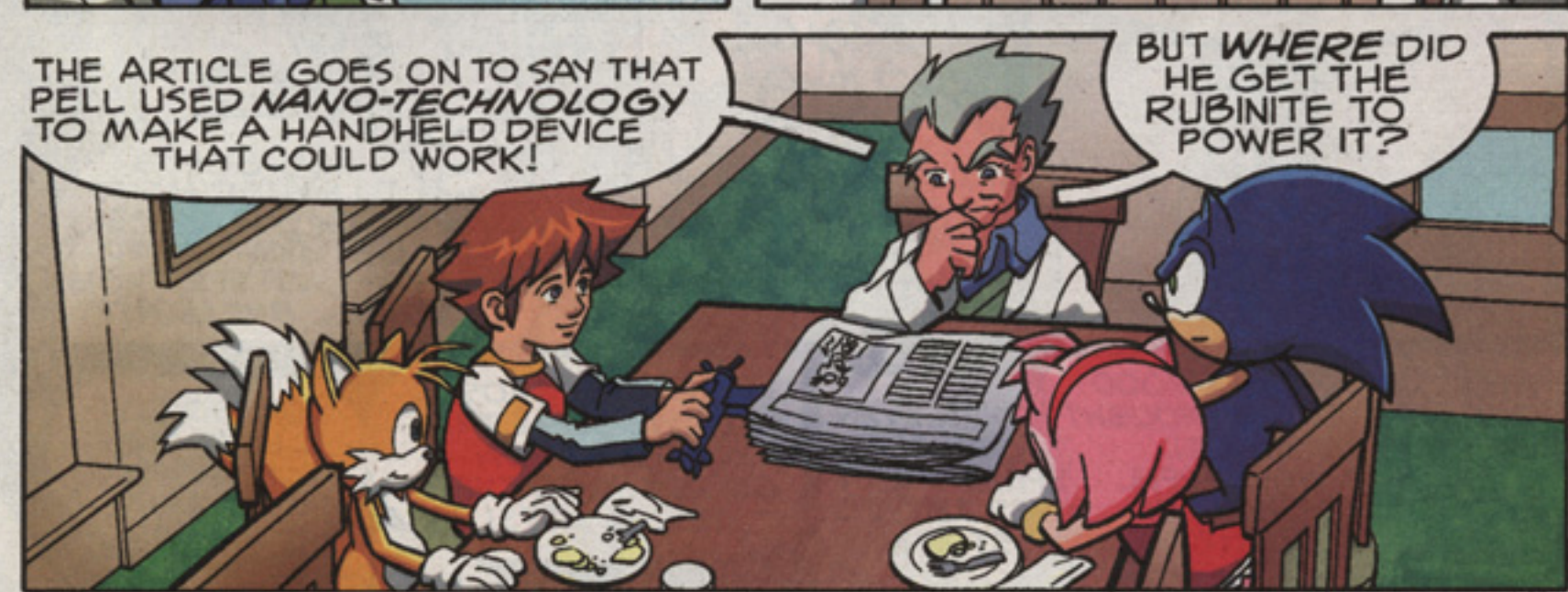

CAN'T WAIT TO GO TO THE TOY STORE TODAY. CAN WE GO AFTER WE EAT GRANDPA? THOSE ROBONICLES ARE SO COOL!
ARE YOU OKAY, SONIC? YOU DON'T LOOK SO GOOD.
I'M OKAY, AMY. IT'S JUST THAT...
...CHRIS HAS BEEN TALKING ABOUT THOSE ROBONICLES SO MUCH LATELY, IT'S GIVING ME NIGHTMARES.

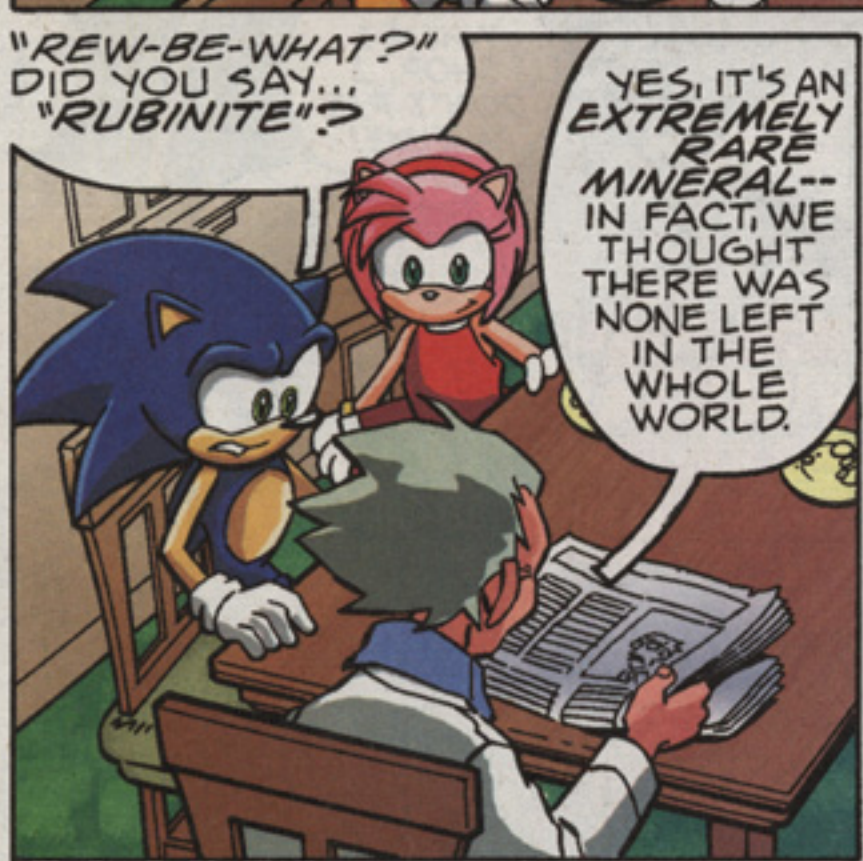
OH, MY! IT SAYS HERE, "A SCIENTIST NAMED ALEXANDER PELL HAS THEORIZED THAT YOU CAN TRAVEL...
...BETWEEN ALTERNATE DIMENSIONS ON A SUB-ATOMIC LEVEL.
PELL HAS CREATED A WARP RAY TO PROVE HIS THEORY, AND HIS EXPERIMENTS TAKE PLACE TODAY."


AH, HERE WE GO...
..."PELL CAME UP WITH THE ORIGINAL IDEA IN COLLEGE...
...WHEN WORKING WITH HIS OLD LAB PARTNER CHUCK THORNDYKE."
THAT'S YOU, GRANDPA!

PELL WAS MY ROOM-MATE AT STATION SQUARE UNIVERSITY. WHAT A *BRIGHT* YOUNG MAN HE WAS.


"WE'D COME UP WITH THE THEORY LONG AGO, BUT WE COULDN'T FIGURE OUT JUST HOW TO MAKE THE WARP RAY EMITTER SMALL ENOUGH TO BE PRACTICAL."


THE ARTICLE GOES ON TO SAY THAT PELL USED *NANO-TECHNOLOGY* TO MAKE A HANDHELD DEVICE THAT COULD WORK!
BUT *WHERE* DID HE GET THE RUBINITE TO POWER IT?


"*REW-BE-WHAT?*" DID YOU SAY... "*RUBINITE*"?
YES, IT'S AN *EXTREMELY RARE MINERAL*-- IN FACT, WE THOUGHT THERE WAS NONE LEFT IN THE WHOLE WORLD.

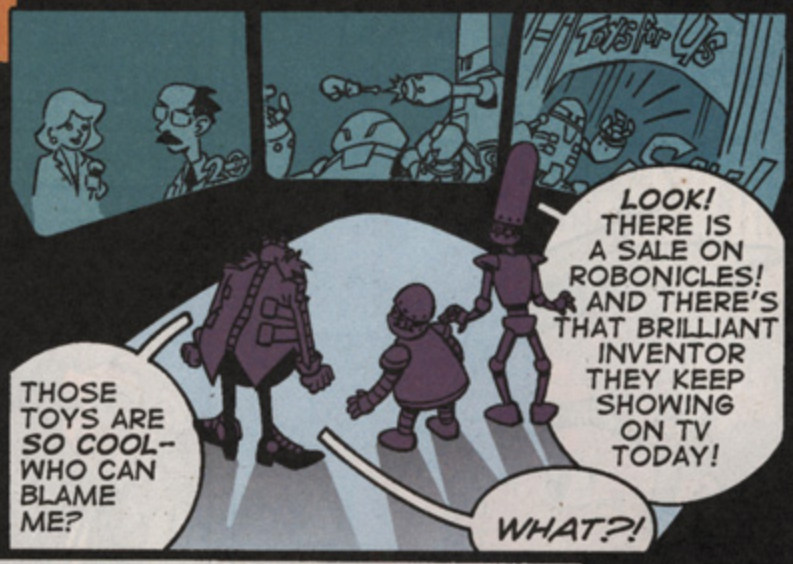
HE MUST HAVE FOUND MORE SOME-WHERE...
HEY, HIS LAB IS REALLY CLOSE TO THE TOY STORE. MAYBE WE COULD VISIT?

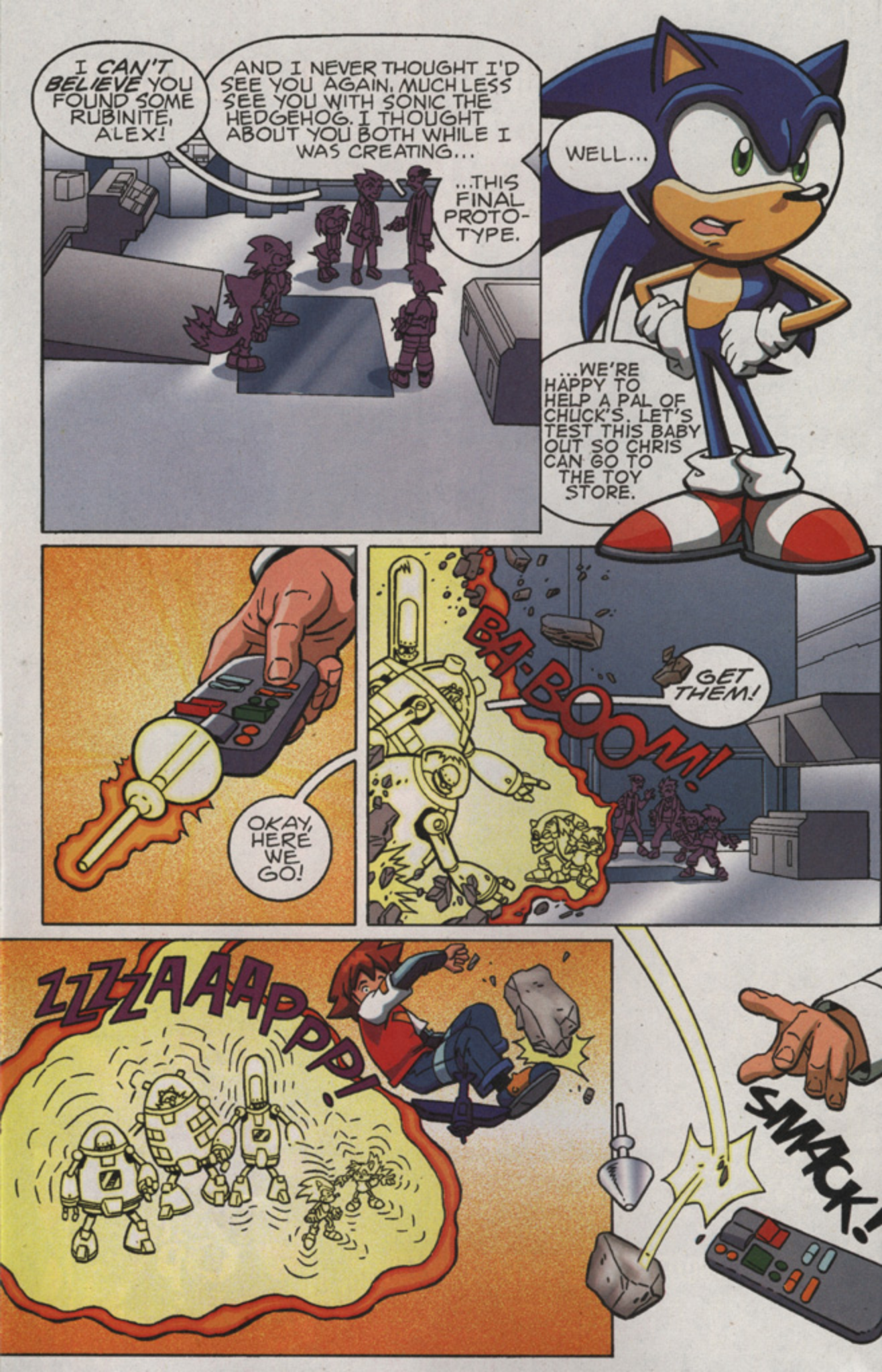
MEANWHILE, IN THE SECRET LAIR OF THE EVIL DOCTOR EGGMAN...

WHERE ARE MY TOYS?!

AREN'T YOU A LITTLE OLD FOR TOYS?

NO, YOU IMBECILE! I USED THEM FOR ROBOT DESIGNS!




I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU FOUND SOME RUBINITE, ALEX!
AND I NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE YOU AGAIN, MUCH LESS SEE YOU WITH SONIC THE HEDGEHOG. I THOUGHT ABOUT YOU BOTH WHILE I WAS CREATING...
...THIS FINAL PROTO-TYPE.
WELL...
...WE'RE HAPPY TO HELP A PAL OF CHUCK'S. LET'S TEST THIS BABY OUT SO CHRIS CAN GO TO THE TOY STORE.
OKAY, HERE WE GO!
BA-BOOM!
GET THEM!
ZZZZAAAPPP!
SMACK!

OH, JUST GREAT. WHY COULDN'T THEY GET SHRUNK DOWN BY THEMSELVES?!
NEW PLAN! FINISH OFF THAT MEDDLING HEDGE-HOG ONCE AND FOR ALL!

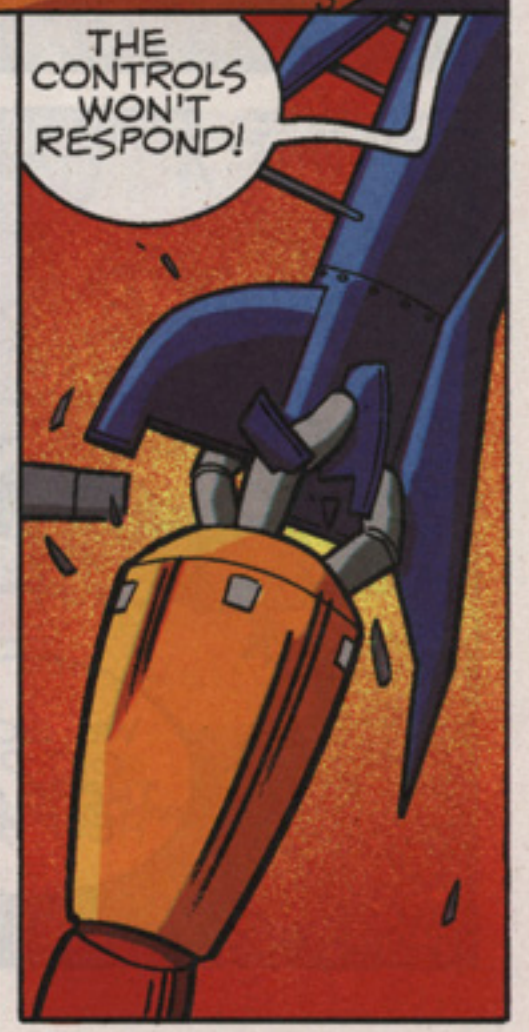
WHAT DO WE DO, SONIC?

TIME FOR US TO EARN OUR WINGS, TAILS!

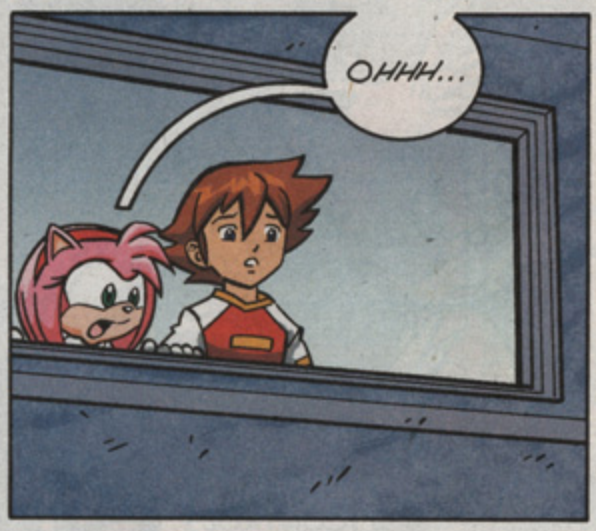
FASTEN YOUR SEAT-BELTS!

HURRY, TAILS, THEY'RE ALMOST ON US!

YOU HAVE TO SHAKE 'EM, TAILS!
I CAN'T!

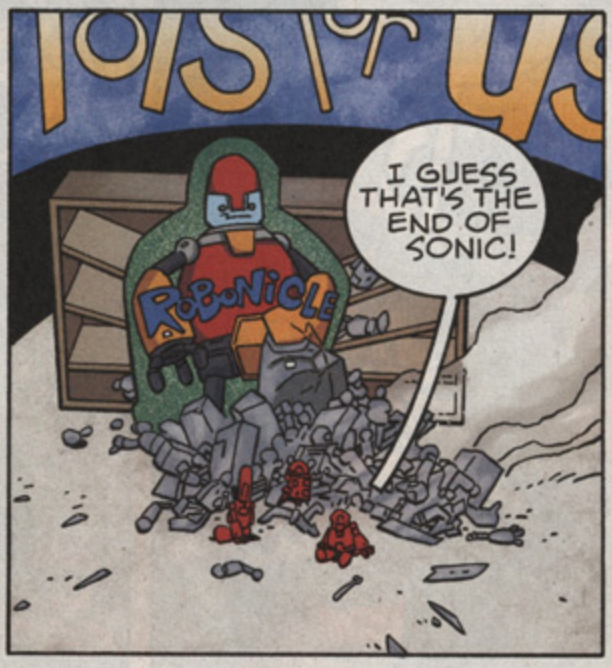

THE CONTROLS WON'T RESPOND!

HEY, EGGMAN, WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS RIDING MY TAIL?
Toys for US


OHHH...

AHH! RUN!
THAT'S GOING TO LEAVE A MARK.
LOOKOUT!
CRAAAASSH!

THEY'RE ALIENS!
RUN FOR YOUR LIVES!
WE'RE UNDER ATTACK!
Toys for US
WE GOTTA GET DOWN THERE AND HELP SONIC!


Toys for US
ROBONICLE
I GUESS THAT'S THE END OF SONIC!

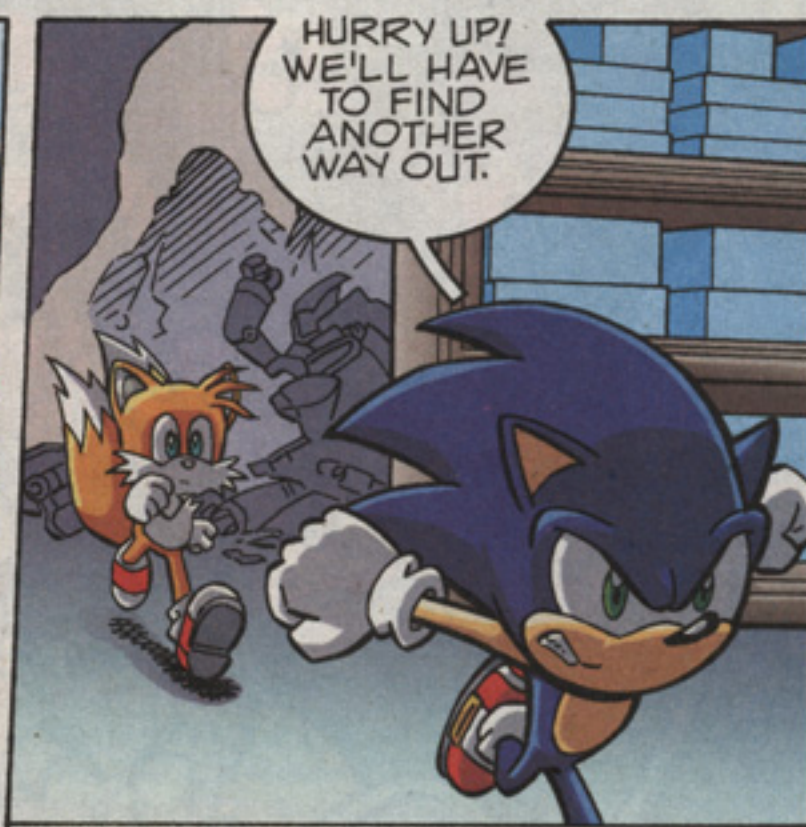
HEY, BOSS, WHY DON'T WE HAVE THESE?
OH! THAT'S FABULOUS! DO THEY COME IN OTHER COLORS?

STOP GOOFING OFF! THIS ISN'T A FASHION SHOW!

DO YOU THINK THIS COLOR WILL MAKE ME LOOK FAT?

GET IN THERE AND FIND THAT HEDGEHOG!

COME ON, WE HAVE TO GET BACK TO THE LAB AND SEE IF DOCTOR PELL CAN BRING US BACK TO LIFE SIZE!


HURRY UP! WE'LL HAVE TO FIND ANOTHER WAY OUT.

Toys for Us
OVER HERE!

YOU TWO GO THAT WAY, I'LL GO THIS W--

WHAT'S THIS?

JUST *WAIT* 'TIL I FIND THAT SONIC.

THIS NEW MISSILE ARM IS GONNA K.O. HIM FOR SURE!

NOT IF I SEE HIM *FIRST!*

SONIC IS *NO MATCH* FOR US WITH THESE NEW WEAPONS! *OH,* WHERE IS THAT LITTLE BLUE BLUR, ANYWAY?

THOSE TWO COULDN'T HIT THE SIDE OF A SWIMMING POOL...

...IF THEY WERE STANDING ON THE DIVING BOARD.

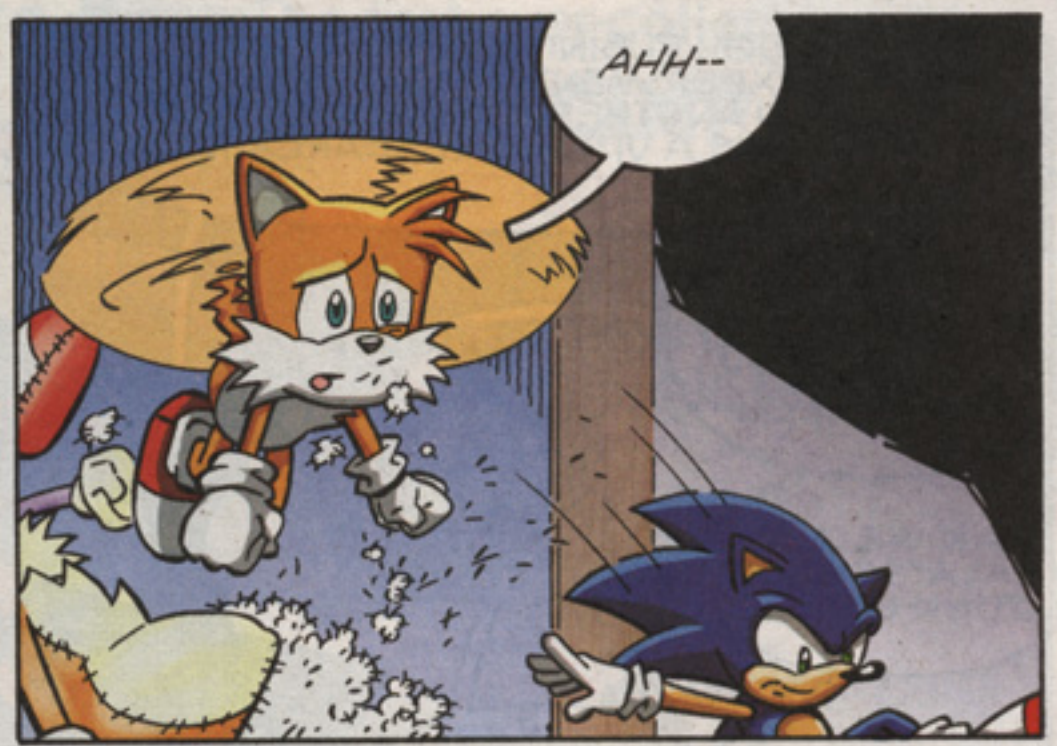
WHAT KID WOULD WANT THAT? IT GIVES ME THE *CREEPS!*

SALE

IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE *YOU.*

ME? *WHAT?!*

FORGET THAT. WE'RE IN THE CLEAR. LET'S GO.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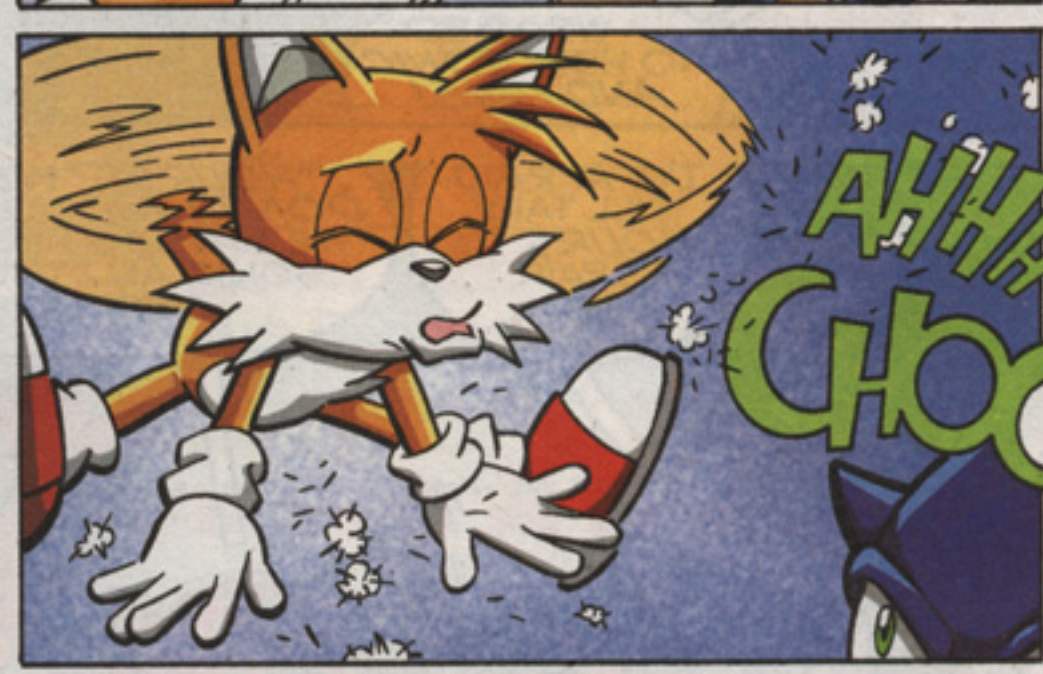
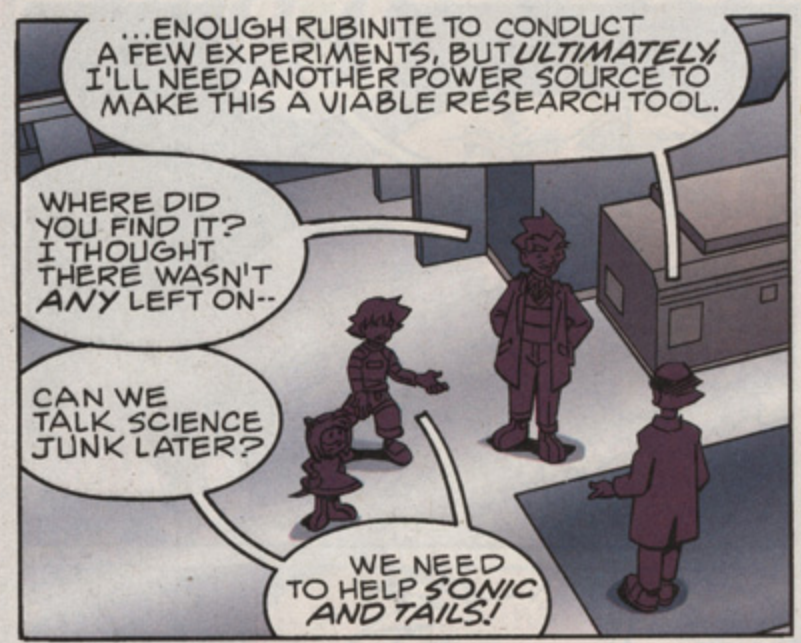

AHHH CHOO

SONIC! LOOK OUT!

RUN!


...ENOUGH RUBINITE TO CONDUCT A FEW EXPERIMENTS, BUT ULTIMATELY, I'LL NEED ANOTHER POWER SOURCE TO MAKE THIS A VIABLE RESEARCH TOOL.
WHERE DID YOU FIND IT? I THOUGHT THERE WASN'T ANY LEFT ON--
CAN WE TALK SCIENCE JUNK LATER?
WE NEED TO HELP SONIC AND TAILS!

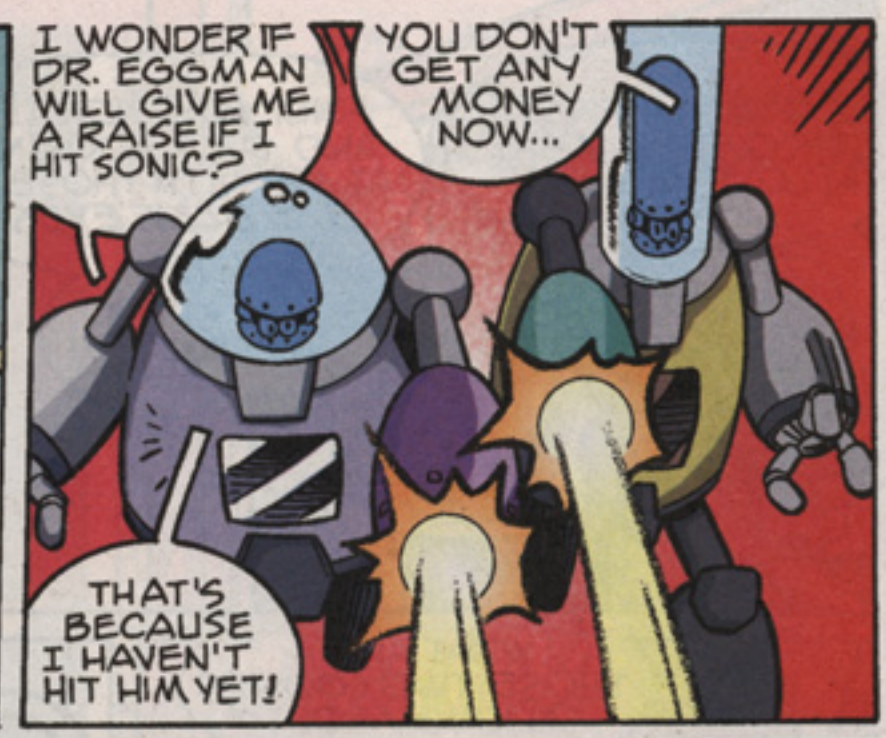
YOU'RE RIGHT, MY BOY! PELL, LET ME SEE THAT WARP RAY EMITTER!

I'M AFRAID IT'LL TAKE HOURS TO REPAIR THIS.
"HOURS"? WE DON'T HAVE HOURS! WE HAVE TO HELP SONIC AND TAILS NOW!

I THINK I HAVE AN IDEA THAT JUST MIGHT GET THIS BACK ONLINE IN NO TIME.

HURRY! SONIC MIGHT BE HURT ALREADY!
Tails for Us

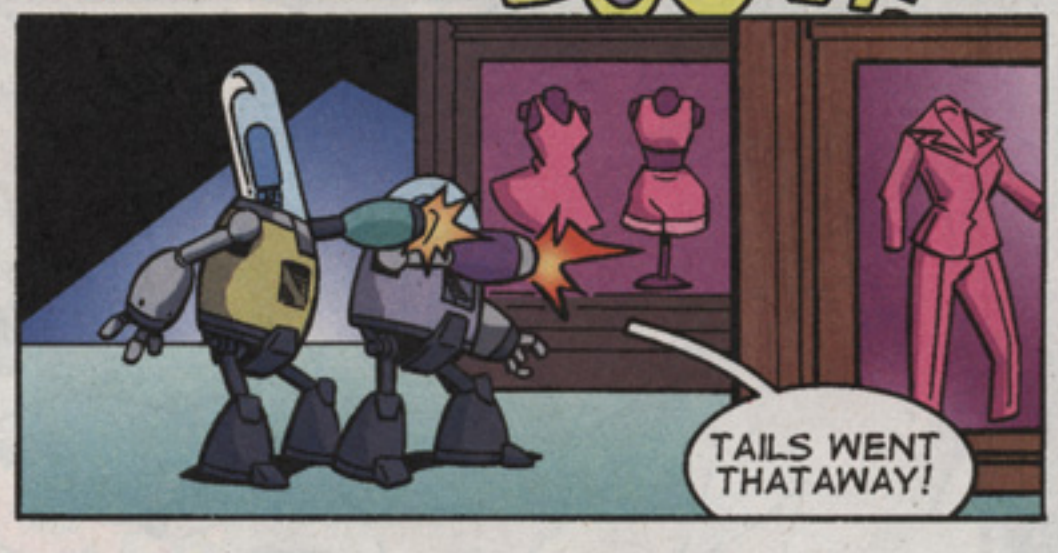
SPLIT UP! THEY CAN'T CHASE US BOTH! I'LL MEET YOU AT THE BACK OF THE STORE!
WOOSH
SWISH
OKAY, SONIC!


I WONDER IF DR. EGGMAN WILL GIVE ME A RAISE IF I HIT SONIC?
YOU DON'T GET ANY MONEY NOW...
THAT'S BECAUSE I HAVEN'T HIT HIM YET!

WOW! LOOK AT ALL THAT PINK!

PUZZLES
Games
THAT SHOULD DO NICELY!

MISSED HIM!
BOOM!


TAILS WENT THATAWAY!

I SAW HER FIRST! IT'S OBVIOUS SHE'S IN LOVE WITH ME!
NO, YOU DIDN'T! AND SHE'S LOOKING AT ME WITH THOSE BIG BLUE EYES!
SHE'S DREAMY!

WHAT ARE THOSE TWO LOONIES TALKING ABOUT?
I HOPE AMY ISN'T OUT THERE.

LET GO! SHE'S GOING TO BE MY GIRLFRIEND!
YOU LET GO! I THINK I LOVE HER!

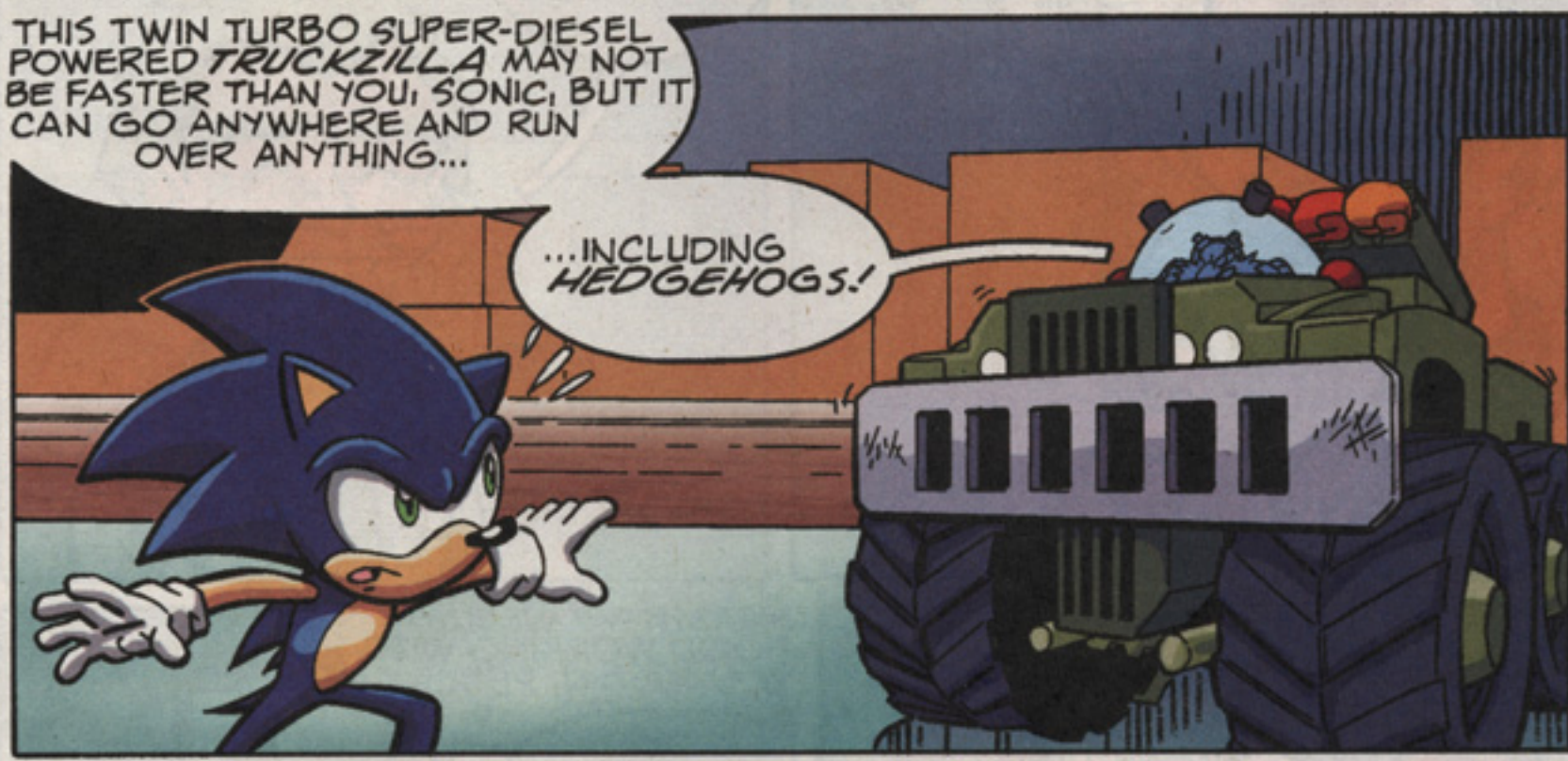
SHEESH! NOW I'VE SEEN EVERY-THING...

CREE-EEEK!

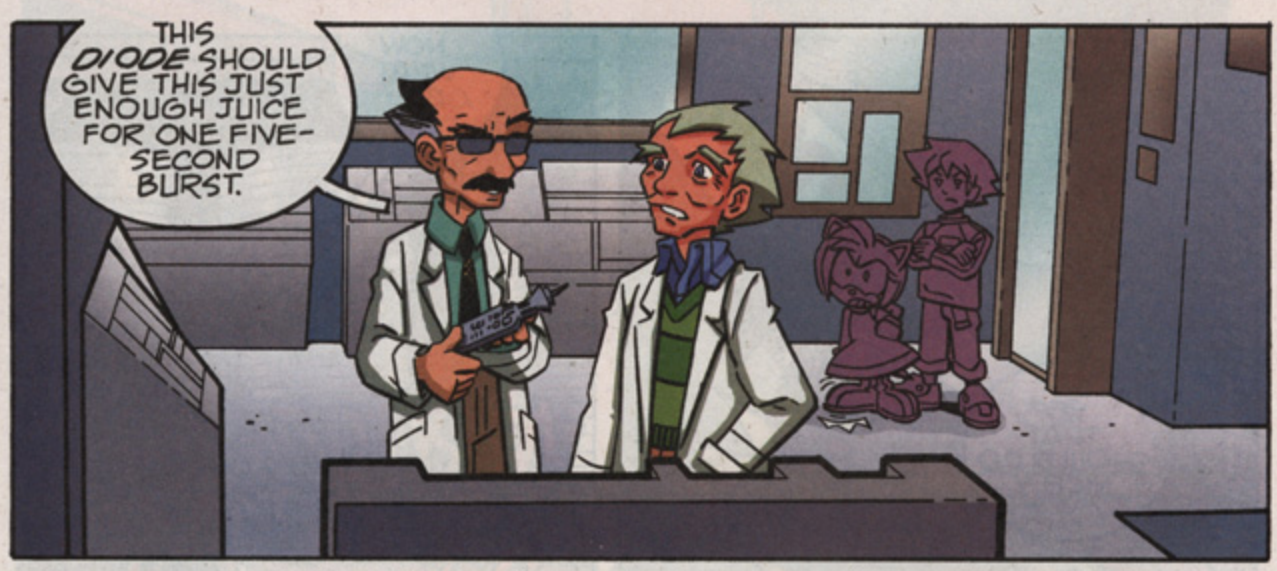
UH-OOOHHH...

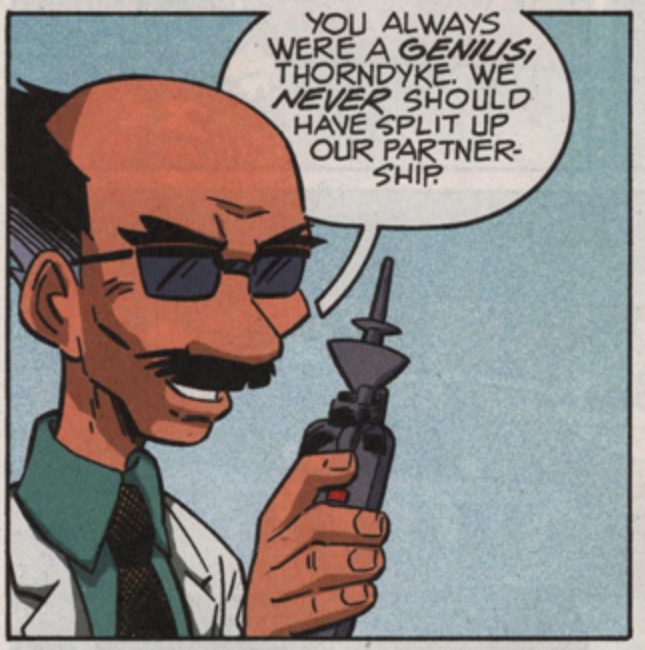
SPRING!
YEP. THAT SHOULD DO NICELY.

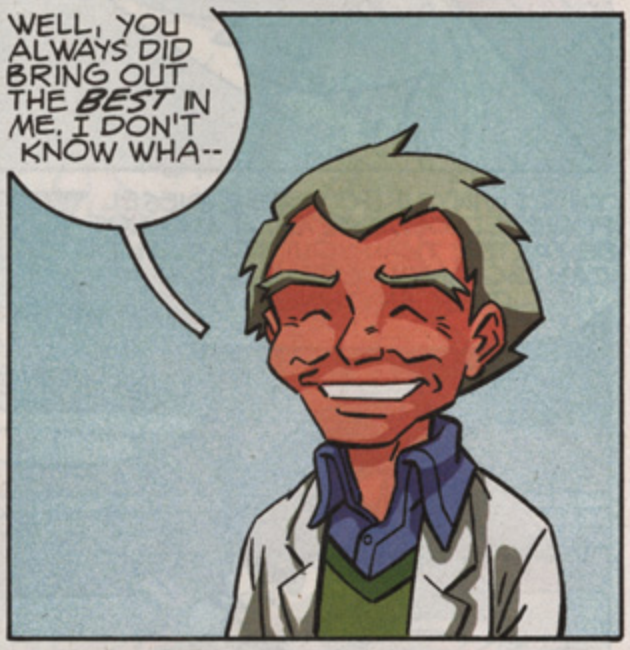
NOW WHAT CA--
VRROOM
VRRROOM

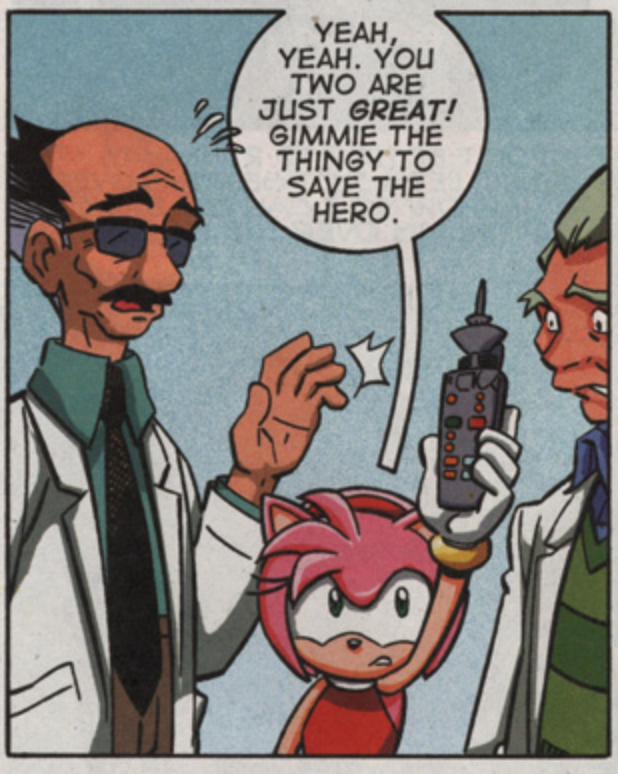

THIS TWIN TURBO SUPER-DIESEL POWERED *TRUCKZILLA* MAY NOT BE FASTER THAN YOU, SONIC, BUT IT CAN GO ANYWHERE AND RUN OVER ANYTHING...
...INCLUDING *HEDGEHOGS!*

DON'T BOTHER TO RUN AWAY, SONIC. LET'S JUST GET THIS OVER WITH *NOW* SO I CAN GO BACK TO TAKING OVER THE WORLD!
SCREEACH!

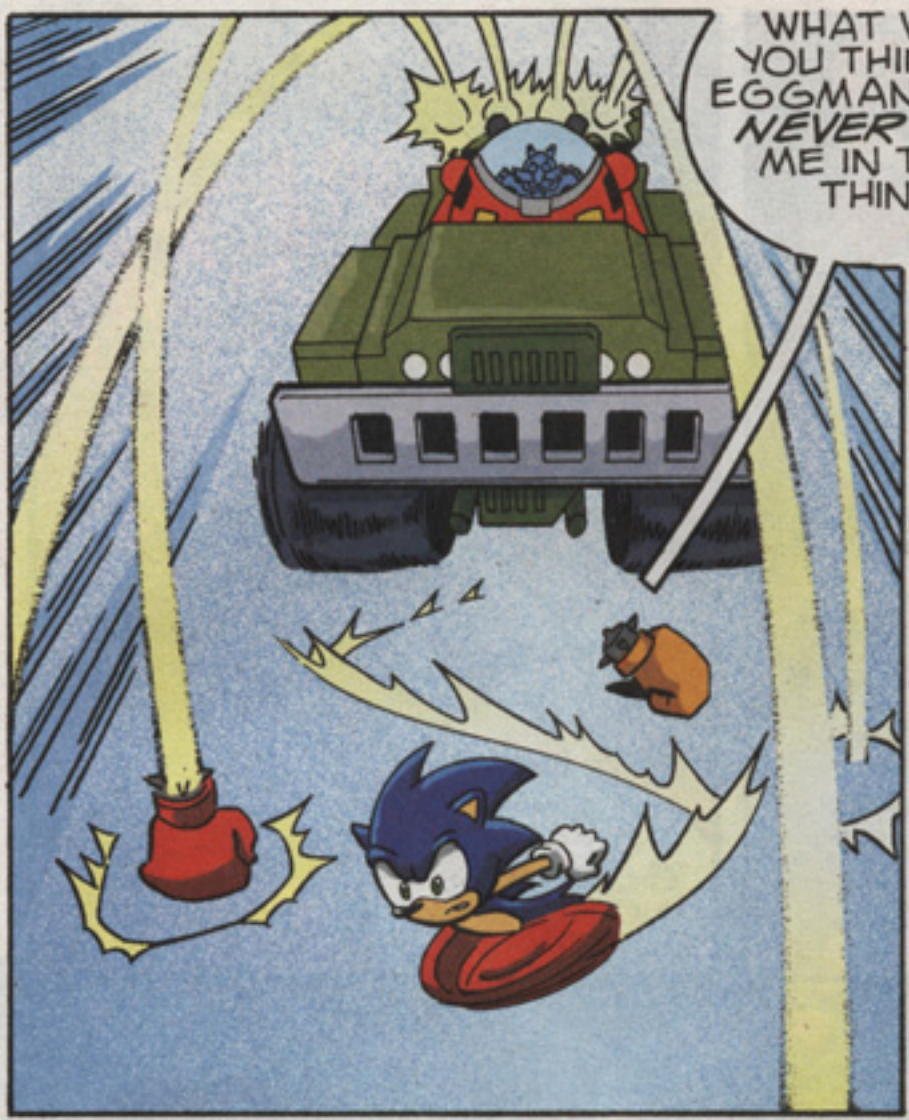

THIS DIODE SHOULD GIVE THIS JUST ENOUGH JUICE FOR ONE FIVE-SECOND BURST.

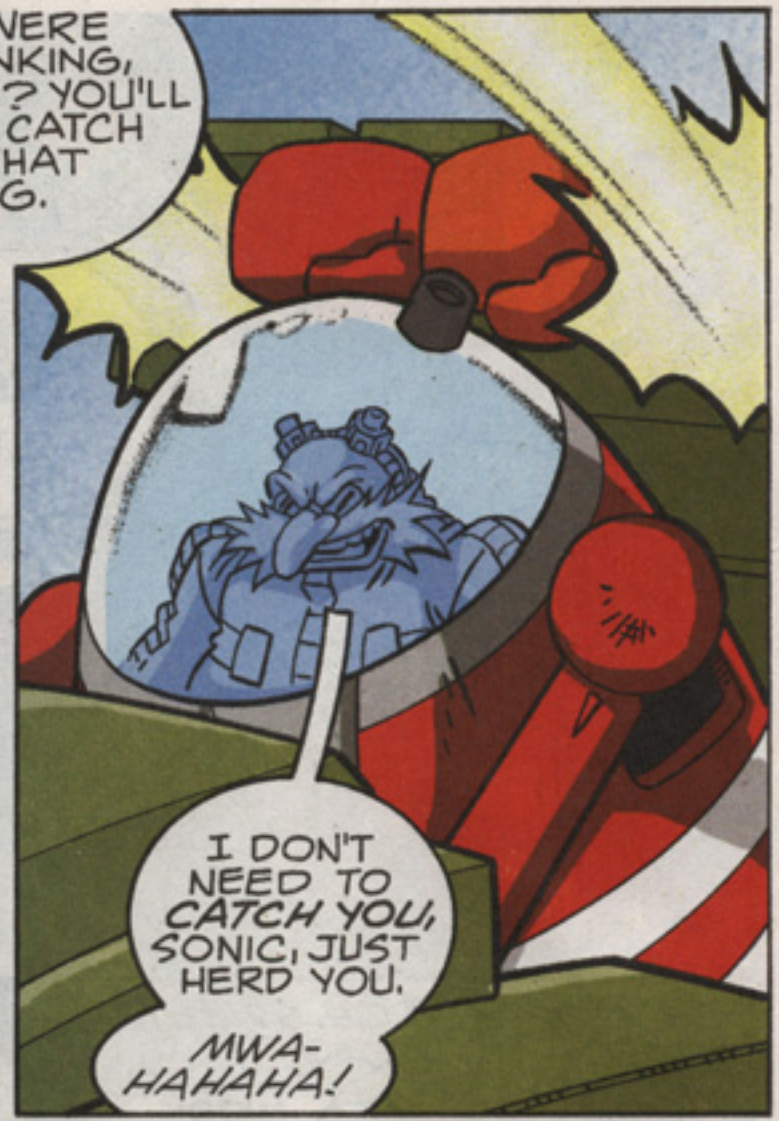

YOU ALWAYS WERE A GENIUS, THORNDYKE. WE NEVER SHOULD HAVE SPLIT UP OUR PARTNERSHIP.


WELL, YOU ALWAYS DID BRING OUT THE BEST IN ME. I DON'T KNOW WHA--


YEAH, YEAH. YOU TWO ARE JUST GREAT! GIMMIE THE THINGY TO SAVE THE HERO.

HARUMPH! WELL, GOOD WORKING WITH YOU AGAIN, PELL.
LIKEWISE, THORNDYKE!
COME ON! WE MIGHT ALREADY BE TOO LATE!


WHAT WERE YOU THINKING, EGGMAN? YOU'LL NEVER CATCH ME IN THAT THING.


I DON'T NEED TO CATCH YOU, SONIC, JUST HERD YOU.
MWA-HAHAHA!

"HERD" ME? I THOUGHT WORLD DOMINATION WAS YOUR GAME, NOT FARMING.

I LOVE IT WHEN YOUR INFERIOR INTELLECT ALLOWS YOU TO THINK YOU'VE OUTSMARTED ME. IT MAKES THINGS SO MUCH EASIER.
ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU RUN RIGHT INTO MY CLUTCHES!

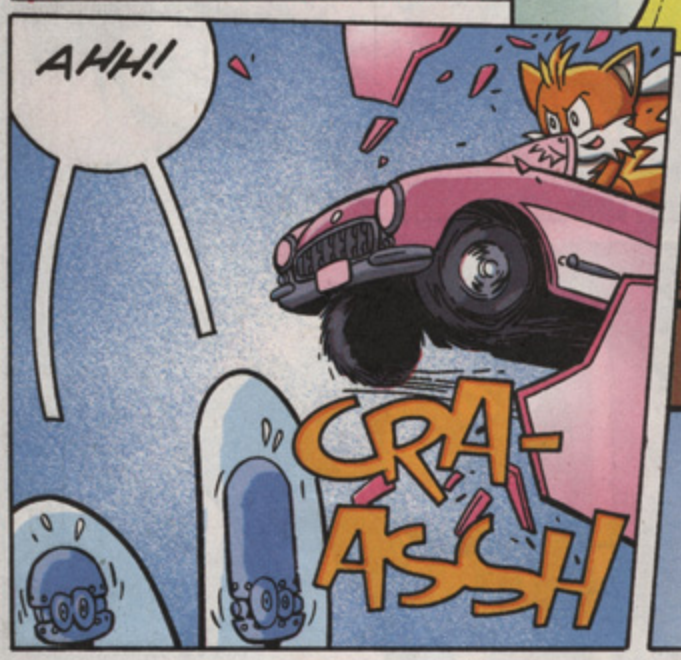
"CLUTCHES"? VERY PUNNY, EGGMA-- AHH!

WHO INVITED YOU TO THE PARTY?

THERE'S GOT TO BE ANOTHER WAY OUT OF HERE.

OH, SWEET! THAT SHOULD WORK PERFECTLY!

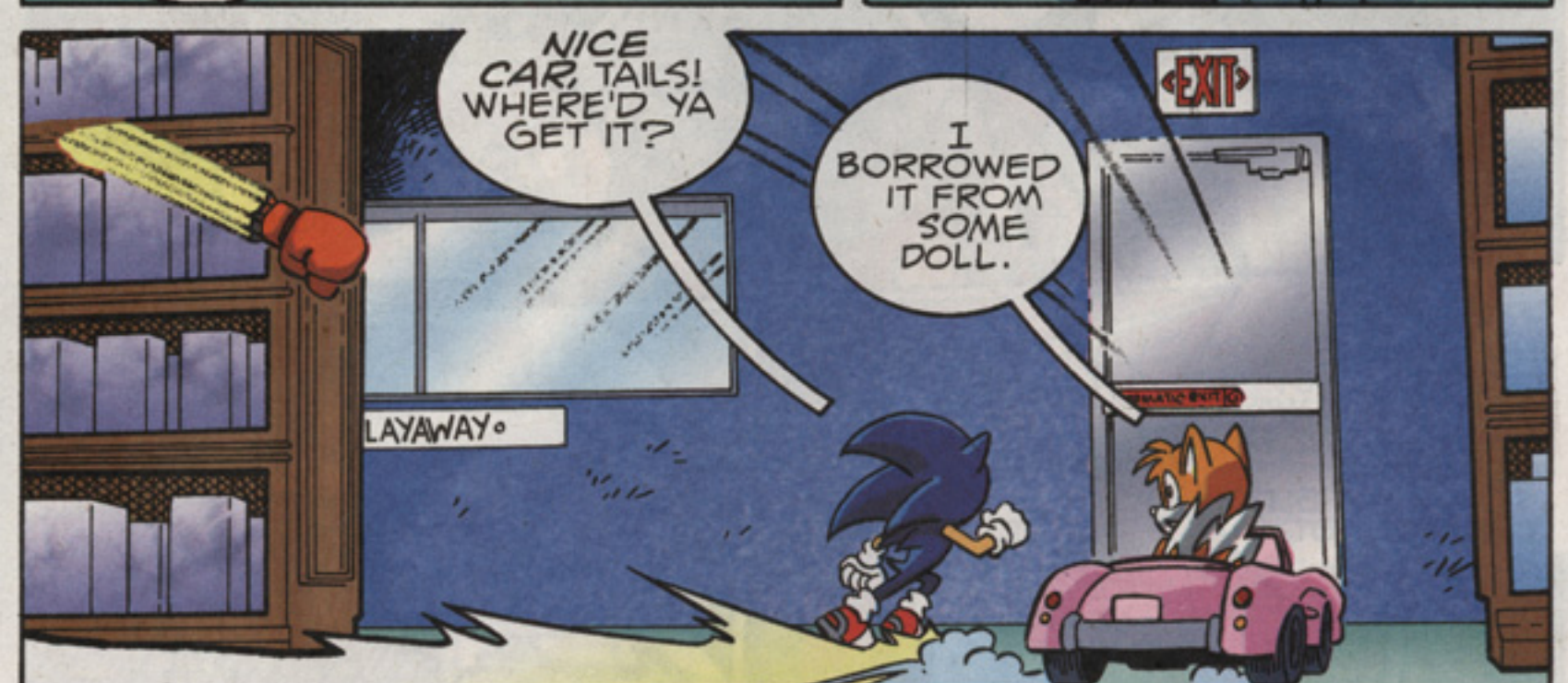
WONDERFUL! A HEDGEHOG SPEED BUMP!

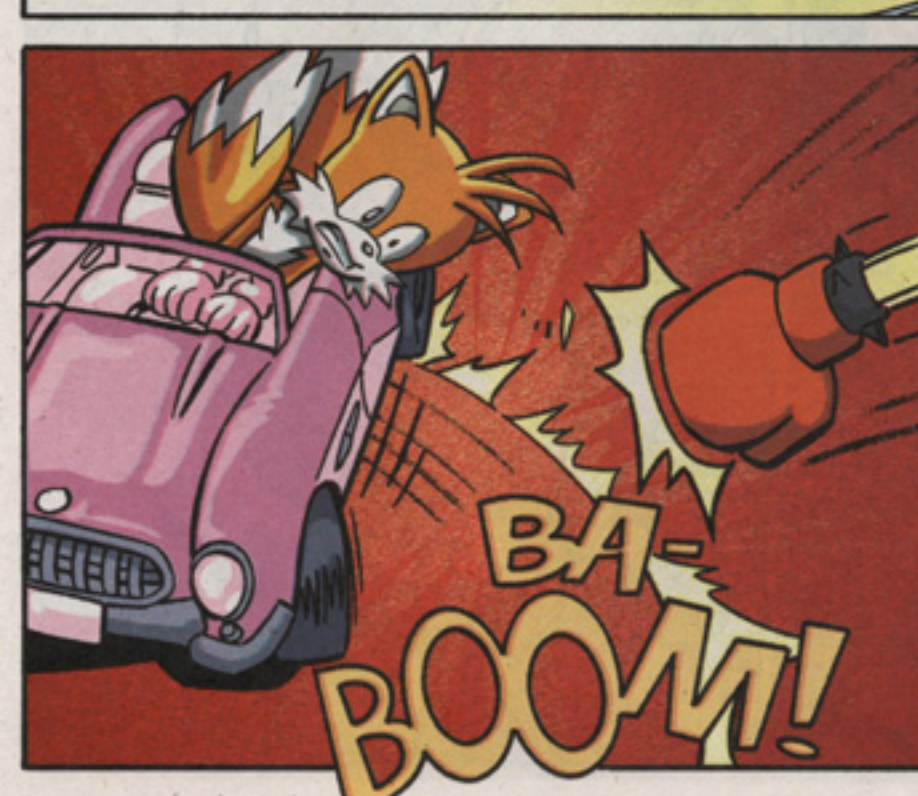

AHH!
CRA-ASSH

WOOO HOO!!!
SCREECH

SPROING
THESE ARE THE BEST TOYS EVER!
SMASH

OBVIOUSLY MADE FROM SUB-STANDARD TECHNOLOGY. MY ROBONICLES WOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN SO EASILY DEFEATED!


NICE CAR, TAILS! WHERE'D YA GET IT?
I BORROWED IT FROM SOME DOLL.
EXIT
LAYAWAY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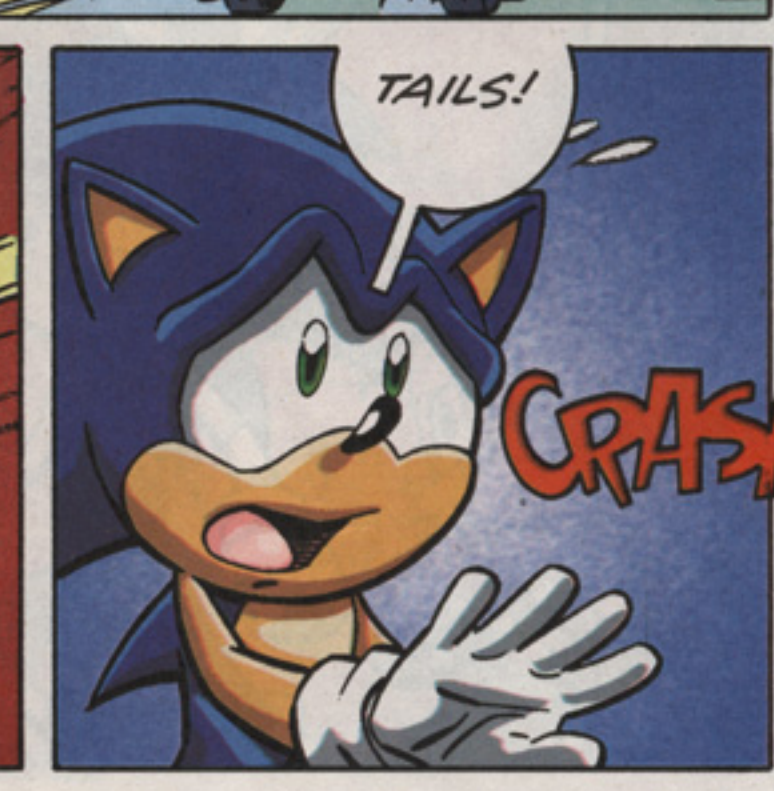
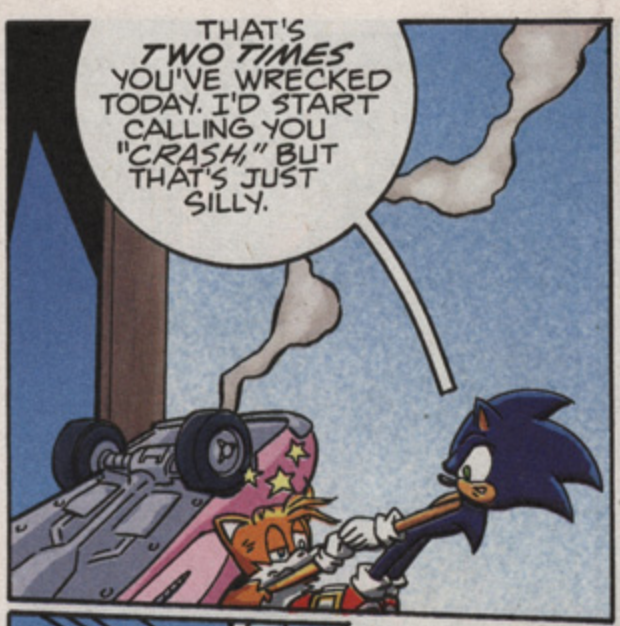
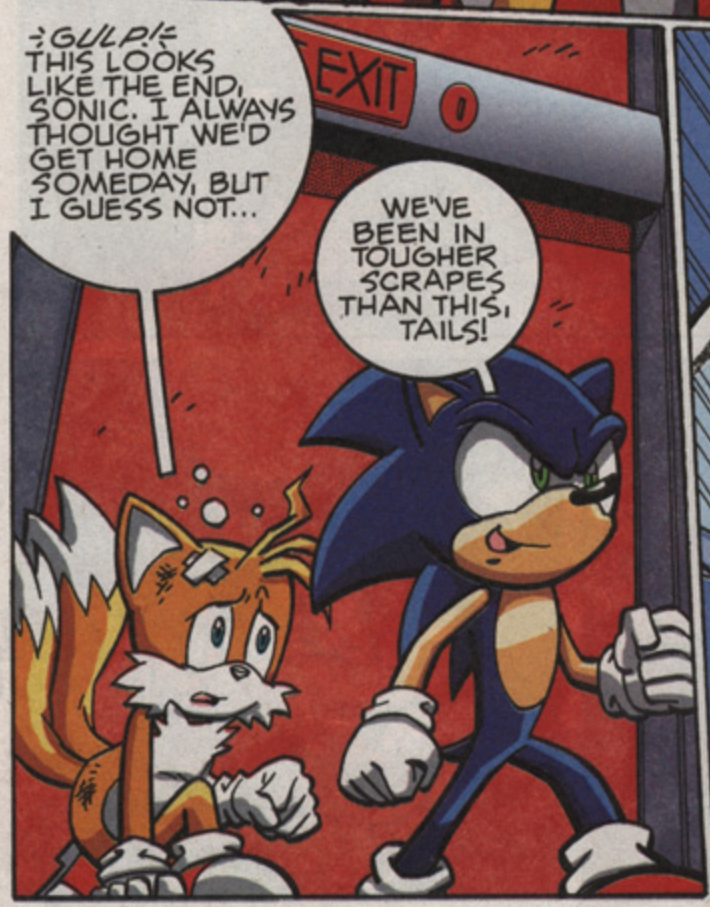

TAILS!
CRASH


THAT'S TWO TIMES YOU'VE WRECKED TODAY. I'D START CALLING YOU "CRASH," BUT THAT'S JUST SILLY.

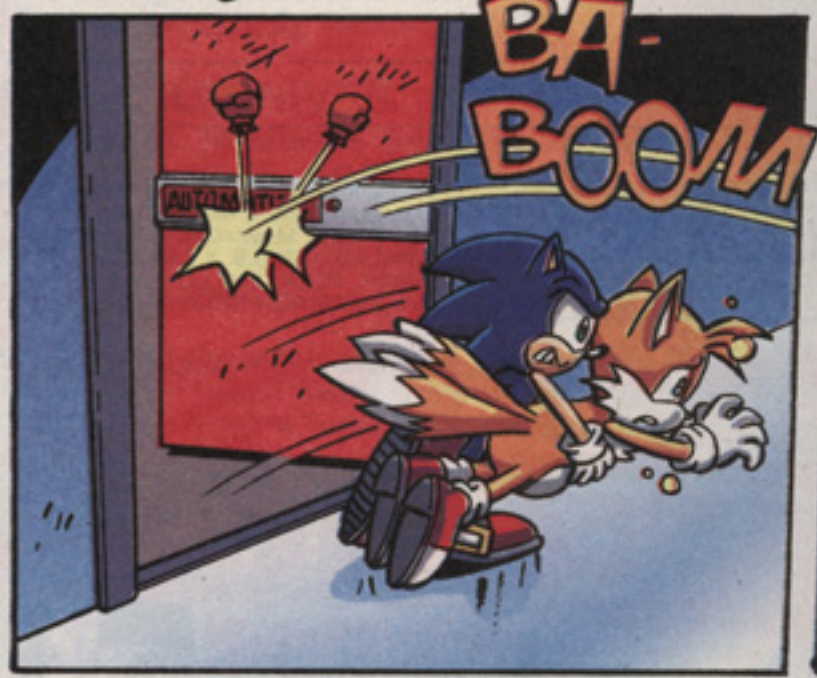
NOW THERE'S NO PLACE LEFT TO RUN, HEDGEHOG!

FIRE THOSE MISSILES ON MY MARK!
YES, SIR!
I THOUGHT WE WERE FIRING THEM AT SONIC?
YOU ARE! NOW SHUT UP AND FIRE WHEN I TELL YOU TO!


GULP! THIS LOOKS LIKE THE END, SONIC. I ALWAYS THOUGHT WE'D GET HOME SOMEDAY, BUT I GUESS NOT...
EXIT
WE'VE BEEN IN TOUGHER SCRAPES THAN THIS, TAILS!

FIRE!

ZZZZAPP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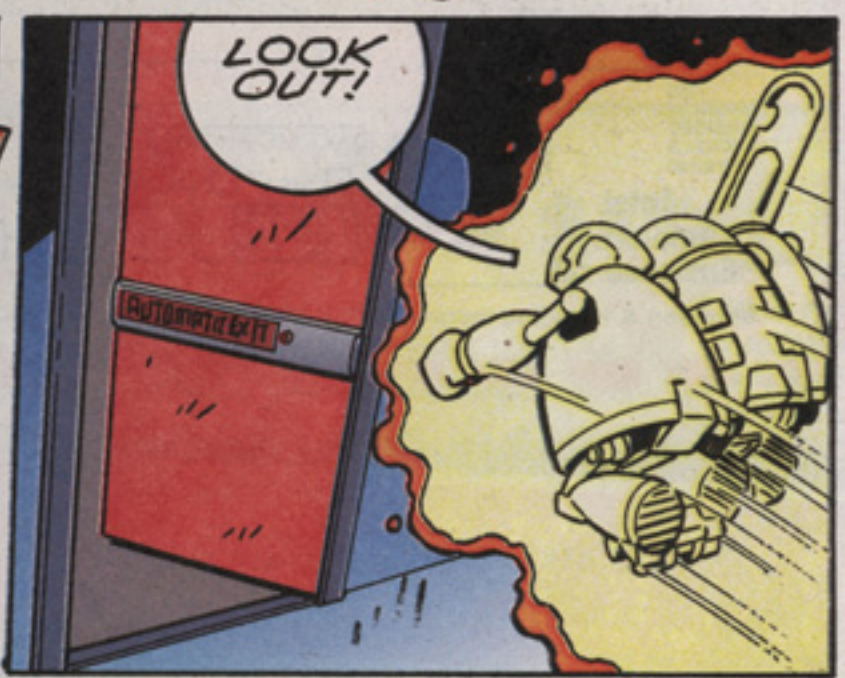
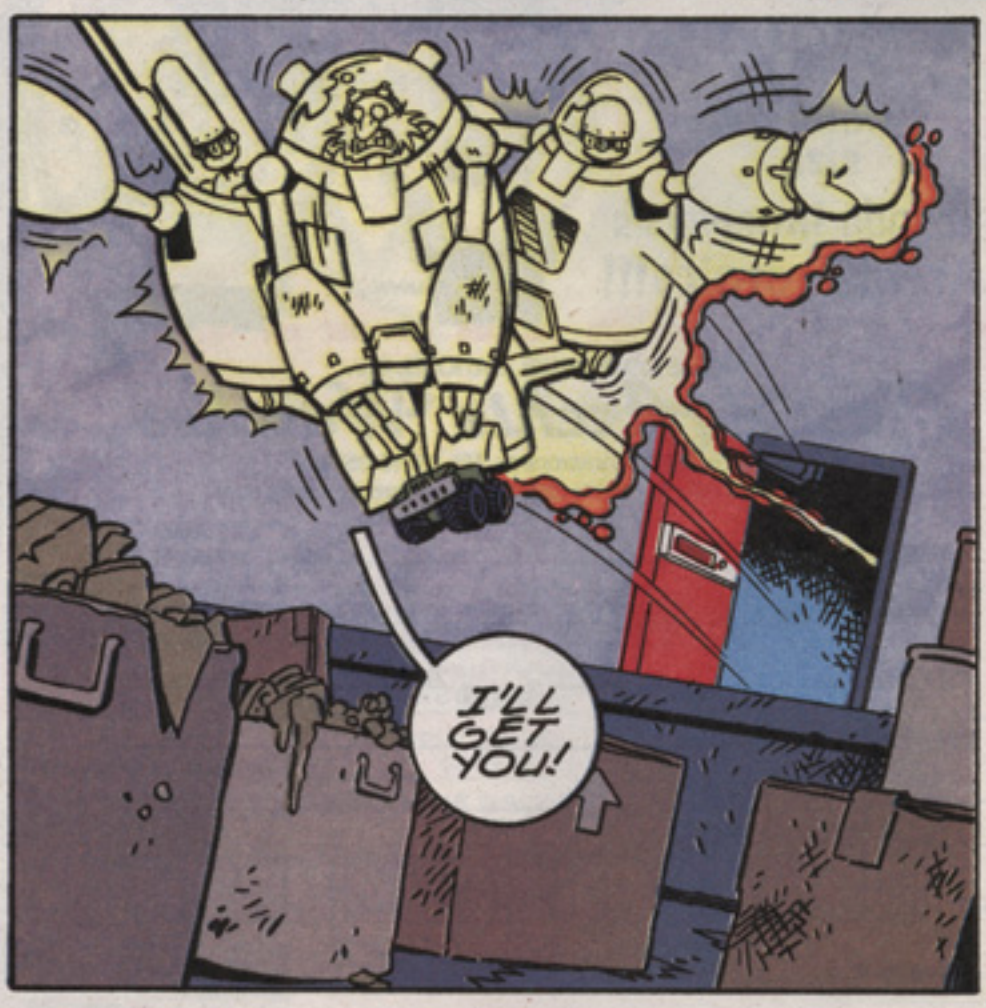

LOOK OUT!
AUTOMATIC EXIT


I'LL GET YOU!

KA-SMASH
WHY DOES HE ALWAYS SAY THAT?

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, SONIC?
YEAH, I'M FINE.
BZZZT
AT LEAST WE KNOW IT WORKED...
CAN WE GO HOME NOW?
NOT SO FAST...
THANKS FOR BUYING ME ALL THESE ROBONICLES, GRANDPA.
YOU'RE WELCOME, CHRIS. ALTHOUGH IT'S NOT LIKE THAT MANAGER LEFT ME MUCH CHOICE.
"YOU BREAK IT, YOU BUY IT," THAT'S WHAT HE SAID.

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